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1. A strip of land extending WW-ENE, at least 2 km long and 30 meters wide, was being dug up at the Neuruppin (W 53/2 49) airfield, about 300 meters west of Wittstock Allee and 500 meters north of the old field buildings, on 22 and 23 March 1950. Wooden masts were set up along the southern edge of the strip; these were about 8 meters high and from 15 to 20 meters apart. They were possibly intended for electric lights to facilitate night work, but wires and lamps were not seen.

2. Dredgers were excavating the strip of land from the west. Large-scale construction work on what were apparently stone and wooden buildings was underway between the strip and the buildings on the southwestern edge.

3. Two more construction sheds were set up at the airfield on 29 March 1950. Two rows of masts, about 30 meters apart and extending in approximately an E-W direction, were erected in the middle of the landing field. The individual masts were about 60 to 80 meters apart and were 50 percent higher than ordinary telephone poles. Seventeen masts, which did not include all of them, were counted in one row. Grass had been removed from the strip between the rows of masts and about 30 laborers were engaged in grading the land. It is assumed that lamps are to be placed on the masts to facilitate night work.

4. No workers were seen at the runway construction site at noon on 10 April 1950. A steam shovel, presumably for large-scale excavating work, was standing near the construction sheds.

* ☐ Comment: ☐ report construction work at the field. An E-W runway is apparently being constructed. The purpose of the masts is undetermined. No information has been received regarding the exact length of the runway or the scheduled date for completion.

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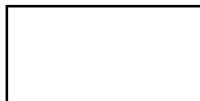
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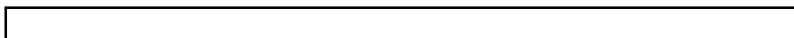
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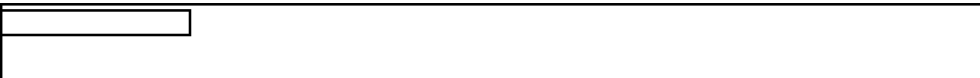
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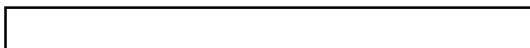
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